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CHAPTER 22

Family Division Records

22.1 Family Division Records

Beginning on page 457, replace the sentence before the bulleted list and the bulleted list with the following text:

The Michigan Supreme Court Case File Management Standards and MCR 8.119(D)(1)(c) require a register of actions to contain specific information. MCR 8.119(D)(1)(c)* states:

*Effective May 1, 2005.

"Register of Actions. The clerk shall keep a case history of each case, known as a register of actions. The register of actions shall contain both pre- and post-judgment information. When a case is commenced, a register of actions form shall be created. The case identification information in the alphabetical index shall be entered on the register of actions. In addition, the following shall be noted chronologically on the register of actions as it pertains to the case:

- (i) the offense (if one);
- (ii) the judge assigned to the case;
- (iii) the fees paid;
- (iv) the date and title of each filed document;
- (v) the date process was issued and returned, as well as the date of service;
- (vi) the date of each event and type and result of action;
- (vii) the date of scheduled trials, hearings, and all other appearances or reviews, including a notation indicating

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whether the proceedings were heard on the record and the name and certification number of the court reporter or recorder present;

- (viii) the orders, judgments, and verdicts;
- (ix) the judge at adjudication and disposition;
- (x) the date of adjudication and disposition; and
- (xi) the manner of adjudication and disposition.

"Each notation shall be brief, but shall show the nature of each paper filed, each order or judgment of the court, and the returns showing execution. Each notation shall be dated with not only the date of filing, but with the date of entry and shall indicate the person recording the action."